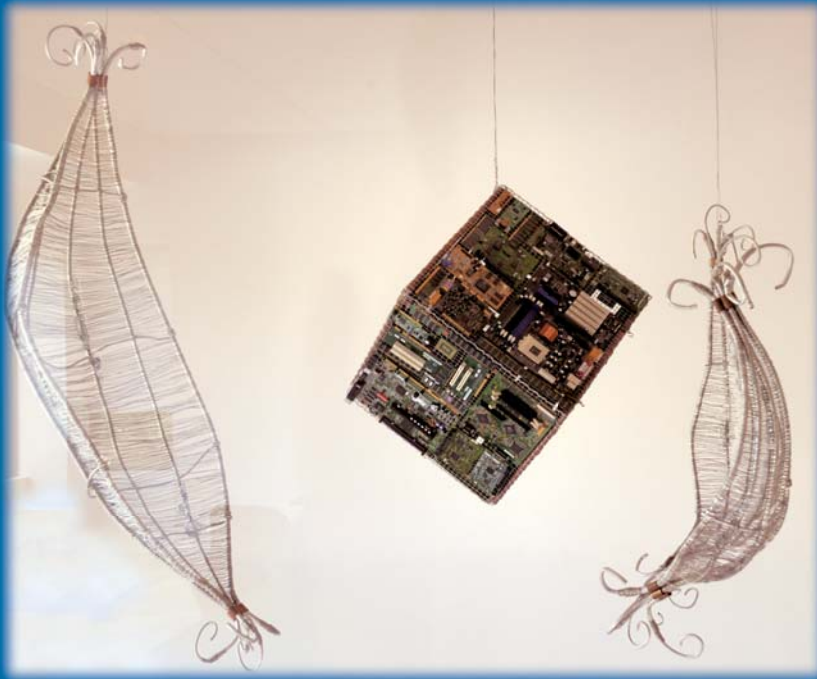


Grand Opening



October 20, 2008



This suspended sculpture entitled "Growth" consists of three abstract leaves surrounding a cube representing a seed. The cube, made of a copper frame covered with computer parts and keyboard pieces, is symbolic of the new and developing companies at the Germantown Innovation Center. The leaves are placed in such a way that they appear to encase and protect the seed. The organically shaped woven aluminum wire leaves are symbolic of the Germantown Incubator Center, nurturing the new businesses while they grow into flourishing companies. The keyboard keys have hidden words reflecting the theme of the artwork. The combination of organic forms with the geometric shape and computer components highlights the interaction between nature and technology. It also reflects on the fact that in the not so distant past the area on which the Germantown Innovation Center is built was farmland, now home to a place where technology grows and flourishes.

*David Ronquillo – Designer
Team Members: Joel Schadeegg and Sess Hoang
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The Germantown Innovation Center is the fifth and newest addition to Montgomery County's Business Innovation Network.

Strategically located at 20271 Goldenrod Lane on Montgomery College's Germantown Campus, the new center is in the heart of the world-renowned I-270 Technology Corridor and poised to benefit from its continued growth. The center features 32,000 square feet to accommodate 20 to 30 life sciences and advanced technology companies.

The GIC provides 11 wet labs averaging 500 square feet, two modular clean rooms and 45 offices. Lab utilities are metered separately and backup power supports the lab corridors.

As part of the renovations to the 20-year-old building, the county has incorporated environmentally sustainable elements, including lab floors of rapidly renewable materials, an innovative wall system that dramatically reduces dry-wall waste, carpet made with recycled materials, the use of natural daylight and light sensors to reduce energy consumption and new, efficient mechanical systems.

Germantown Innovation Center Inaugural Companies

Advanced Biomimetic Sensors, Inc.

Ellen Chen, CEO

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Advanced Biomimimetic Sensors, Inc. (ABS) is a pioneer in the development and commercialization of innovative, reagentless diagnostic medical devices. These devices can be both hand-held and implantable for continual monitoring. ABS intends to develop prototype devices to provide the market with a new generation of more accurate, less expensive and pain-free medical devices, such as glucose monitoring for diabetics, especially suitable for diabetic children.

Advent InfoSystems, LLC

Lou Oliver, Principal

www.adventsoftware.net

Advent InfoSystems LLC is a leader in health care informatics. Their products and services reduce administrative costs, provide better access to health care for patients, increase the efficiency of practitioners and limits fraud. The company's product "Flex-Prac" provides a user friendly, comprehensive "electronic office" for physicians.

The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Advent Software LTD of Prune, India.

CureKids, USA

Neil Campbell, Chairman

www.curekids.org.nz

CureKids is a venture philanthropy organization dedicated to investing in and furthering medical research & development into childhood illnesses. The organization was founded over 30 years ago in New Zealand. To date it has invested of \$19million in medical research that has helped saved hundreds of young lives and has improved the quality of life for thousands of children.

Datarchive

Mike Voss, CEO

www.datarchive.com

Datarchive is committed to providing the next generation of off-site disaster recovery tools and services to the global business community. The company can quickly store any volume of data and it is always immediately available in a secure fashion, via the company's high speed internet connectivity. The company also offers a range of data management services including converting media to newer formats and data warehousing.

Expertech Solutions

Charles Vela, Founder

www.expertech.info

Expertech Solutions is an engineering services firm that specializes in systems engineering, cyber and electronic physical security, program management, and the design, development and integration of information, data processing and computational systems. The company is an 8(a) certified firm and is listed on the GSA Schedule 70 for IT services. The company serves both the government and private sector markets.

JOINN Laboratories

John Gong, CEO

www.joinnlaboratories.com

JOINN (pronounced “joe-EEN”) Laboratories is a contract research organization (CRO) offering comprehensive services in all areas of non-clinical drug development, from the early stage drug screening to late-stage regulatory toxicology studies. The company is headquartered in China. Joinn Laboratories’ U.S. will focus on professional services to clients in their new drug development programs, specifically on regulatory and technical aspects

Mosaigen Informatics, Inc.

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Mosaigen was founded to acquire, develop, aggregate and commercialize a series of proprietary and enabling internet, software, database, digital media, mathematical algorithms, learning & knowledge systems and behavioral & psychometric assessment platform technologies into a application of advanced training, learning and knowledge development systems for the health care, life sciences, financial and government markets.

Syntegra Solutions, Inc.

Tom Menighan, President

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Syntegra is an audit and consulting firm that serves the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, vaccine and medical device industries. Its proprietary products and services ensure the integrity, quality and quantity of the supply chain from manufacturer to end-user.

Torres Networks

Anand Uppill, Founder & CEO

www.torresnetworks.com

Torres Networks is a Virtual Member of the Incubator Network. It is headquartered in Ireland and provides a suite of carrier grade IP Service Flow Management products that enable optimal roll out of subscriber-centric, next generation networks both quickly and profitably. The initial focus is on WiMAX Networks that are built around Torres proprietary technology to increase throughput, optimize traffic and increase the number of simultaneous service flows.

Germantown Innovation Center Quick Facts

20271 Goldenrod Lane
Germantown, MD

2nd floor of a two-story building

32,000 square feet (incubator portion)

49 offices: 142-245 square feet, \$330-\$620 per month, including utilities

11 wet labs: 500-700 square feet, \$2,000 - \$3,300 per month, plus utilities

Amenities:

- Two clean rooms (Class 10,000)
- Two conference rooms & two huddle rooms
- One large multi-purpose room (seats 80-100 people)
- Full kitchen
- Offices & labs are voice & data ready
- Tenant Services Coordinator

Benefits: (no additional charges)

- Access to educational seminars and training throughout the Incubator Network
- Use of conference rooms throughout the Incubator Network
- Maryland Intellectual Property Legal Resource Center
- One-year membership to Maryland Tech Council
- One-year membership to the World Trade Center Institute

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Montgomery County Business Innovation Network

Germantown Innovation Center

32,000 square feet: 49 offices, 11 wet labs.

Rockville Innovation Center

23,000 square feet of flexible office space on two floors to accommodate 20-30 international, professional service and advanced technology companies.

Shady Grove Innovation Center

60,000 square feet, with 24 wet labs and 75 offices; can accommodate 40-50 technology based companies.

Silver Spring Innovation Center

20,000 square feet to accommodate 20-25 advanced technology and professional service businesses.

Wheaton Business Innovation Center

12,000 square feet to accommodate 15-25 professional services companies.



Clockwise from top left: Wheaton Business Innovation Center, Silver Spring Innovation Center, Rockville Innovation Center, Shady Grove Innovation Center

Montgomery County Department of Economic Development Mission Statement

Working with its many partners, DED will work to retain, attract and create businesses that will support a broad array of employment opportunities; strategically grow its knowledge-based economy and key industry clusters; and expand the county's tax base. The county will undertake marketing, business development, technical assistance, advocacy, outreach, partnering and financing activities in support of this mission.



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